

Change of Assignment Definition

A change of assignment is defined as a change in core academic subject (CAS) instruction. If a teacher legitimately demonstrated subject matter competency by the HOUSSE rubric for their current assignment or CAS a change of assignment will not occur unless assigned to a different CAS.

Elementary Setting

Elementary curriculum is a globally assessed CAS. Therefore, a teacher assigned to 5th grade in 2006-2007 who is now teaching 2nd grade **in the same school district** has not changed assignments; 5th and 2nd grade curriculum are included in the Elementary curriculum or the Elementary CAS. The fine arts curriculum is also included in the elementary curriculum for grades PK-6; a switch from PK-6 art to 2nd grade would not be a change of assignment because both are included in the Elementary CAS.

Secondary Setting

For secondary teachers (including middle school teachers) who have not changed school districts, as long as the CAS assignment in 2006-2007 is the same CAS instructed now, this is not considered a change of assignment even if the developmental setting has changed from middle school to high school or vice versa; a change of assignment only occurs when the CAS being instructed changes.

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